

**MINUTES OF THE BROAD HINTON AND WINTERBOURNE BASSETT PARISH COUNCIL  
MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 24<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2010 IN BROAD HINTON VILLAGE HALL**

Present: Councillors James Keith (Chair); Geoff Martin; Robert Horton; Rod Brooke; Gill Crabtree; Sarah Watts (Wiltshire Police) and Marilyn Martin (Clerk)

Apologies for absence: Cllrs. Penny Brewer, Phil Catling, George Horton, Des Clarke and Jemima Milton (Wiltshire Council)

<b>Item</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Action</b>
1	<b>Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting</b> held on the 27 <sup>th</sup> January 2010 were agreed and signed by the Cllr. Robert Horton as Vice Chair.	
2	Sarah Watts introduced herself as the new Community Beat Manager for Marlborough Rural West. She reported that rural crime was low but that residents should be vigilant and report any unusual activity. This is in particular reference to the theft of lead from the Church roof and siphoning of domestic oil.	
3	<b>Matters Arising</b>	
3a	<b>Play Area in Broad Hinton:</b> James has written an article for the Local News that was agreed by the Council and will be published in April. He will reply to the letter from Rachel Knight.	<b>JK</b>
3b	<b>Parish Plan:</b> James has written an article for the Local News to be published in April. Councillors agreed on the content and were hopeful of parishioners expressing their views and volunteering to be part of the Committee.	<b>JK</b>
3c	<b>Freedom of the Parish:</b> This item was deferred until the next meeting.	<b>DC</b>
4	<b>Councillors Additional Reports:</b>	
4a	<b>Rod Brooke – Planning &amp; Allotments:</b> Rod informed the Council of his meeting with a representative from Thames Water concerning the supply to the allotments. The existing pipe work and tapes do not comply and will have to be replaced. Rod will apply to the Marlborough Area Board for a grant and respond to Thames Water on their quote of £5000. In the meantime, there will be no supply to the allotments for 2010.	<b>RB</b>
4b	<b>Geoff Martin – Village Maintenance:</b> Geoff said that he had received the latest Stewards report which mentioned repairs to potholes in various locations, which could not easily be verified. Geoff has asked for the High Street potholes to be repaired with some urgency. The maintenance man has started to clear the footpaths between Fortunes Field and Pitchens End. He will also organise Pitchens End Amenity Area to be cleared of moles. Geoff will arrange for a notice to be sited on the Pitchens bank, opposite the Crown Inn, asking people not to cross at this point as the bank is eroding. The bank will be reinstated. He also reported on his preparations for the Village clean up this coming weekend. Geoff will repair the broken fence at Pitchens End Amenity Area. Replacement planks will be screwed to the rails.	<b>GBM</b>
4c	<b>Gill Crabtree – Highways, Traffic and Footpaths:</b> Gill has contacted Highways regarding the serious number of potholes. She asked that Pitchens End Amenity area be rolled once the moles have been removed.	<b>GC</b>

